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BRIEF MENTIONINGS.

Events in and about the City Given in a Nutshell.

Grand to-night—"How Hopper Was Side-Tracked."

Evan Jones, on a wife-beating charge, was arrested in the Eighth ward last night by Officer Dudley.

There is no court in session this week, Judge Melvin holding a term in Moundsville and Judge Hervey in Wellsburg.

Mrs. Cunningham, colored, was fined \$5 and costs by Squire Fitzpatrick, on an assault and battery charge, preferred by Mrs. Mossburg, white.

A meeting was called for last evening of the special council committee on the revision of rules of council, but a quorum didn't materialize. There does not appear to be much interest in the proposed revision.

The King's Daughters of the United Presbyterian church are making extensive preparations for an autumn social, which they will give at the church on Thursday evening. The many attractive features will be sure to draw a large attendance of the friends of this helpful organization.

Frank Wilkinson, arrested by Officer Turner on Sunday, charged with criminal assault on a girl in Pittsburgh, was taken there yesterday by an officer who came down for that purpose. Wilkinson claims the girl was an occupant of a house of ill-fame and that there was no criminal assault.

The reception that was to have been given the new pastor of the Zane Street Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. C. H. Malony, by the Epworth league of that congregation, on Thursday evening, has been deferred until next Tuesday evening, as the pastor will not be able to reach the city before that time.

The army recruiting station has closed and the records and equipment will be shipped to Washington to-morrow. Lieutenant Miller, of the Eighth infantry, the officer in charge, rejoins his regiment at Fort Snelling, Minn. Private J. L. Trillite has been ordered to the recruiting station in Philadelphia.

Thomas Thomas, a former employe of the La Belle, who has recently been employed in one of the mills at Elwood City, Pa., died as the result of injuries he sustained a short time since. He was a son-in-law of Mr. C. A. Hobstetter, of the South Side. The news of his death was received with regret by many friends.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Going and Coming of Wheeling People and Visitors.

Harry Van Keuren will return probably this week. Last week at Minneapolis he was with his company, E. of the Thirteenth Minnesota volunteers, when they were given such a magnificent reception on their return from the Philippines, President McKinley being the principal speaker. Harry's company took part in twenty-four engagements in Luzon, one against the Spaniards when Manila was captured, and twenty-three against the insurgents. He will be warmly welcomed by many friends here.

The Wheeling delegation to the river improvement convention at Louisville, which will be held on Wednesday, leave this morning. The chamber of commerce delegates are President Hullahen Quarrier, Secretary Howard Hazlett, Morris Horkheimer and L. E. Sands. Accompanying the delegation goes Congressman Dovenor, who has been invited to make an address before the association.

F. P. Miller is a Capehart citizen at the Howell.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Behrens left yesterday for St. Louis for a brief stay.

Urias Shriver, Wadestown; J. D. Clayton, Grafton; Thomas G. Brady, Clarksburg, and H. H. Semley and wife,

Plain India Silks.

Choice line of shades, quality equal to the usual 50c goods, width the widest for Indias, price makes pretty pretty waists and dresses

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Crystals and Cords.

These Silks are plain colors only, but the cord in the heavier one is used for shirring and gathering where wanted

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White Taffeta and Satins.

In Cords, Mesh Strips, embroidered, etc.

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HUNGARIAN NATURAL APERIENT WATER.

A Wineglassful a Dose.

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THE PEABODY

Building Bought Yesterday by F. Schenk & Sons for \$80,000.

IT WAS A CASH TRANSACTION

And the Transfer Becomes Effective at Once—Peabody Insurance Company to Retire from Business—Retirement of the Peabody Leaves but Three Fire Insurance Companies in This City.

Following the announcement that Secretary J. F. Paul, of the Peabody Insurance Company, had been in New York, arranging to reinsure the Peabody's fire business with another company, preliminary to the company's complete retirement from business, came another and as important an item of information yesterday afternoon.

It was the sale of the big Peabody building, at Nos. 1128 and 1128 Market street, built only a few years ago by the company, and ranked as one of the best office buildings in the city. The purchasers are F. Schenk & Sons, whose large meat packing establishment is located immediately south of the Peabody building, and who bought from the Peabody about a year ago the lot just above the office building on which stands the Musee building. The consideration was \$80,000 cash. The deal was made binding yesterday by the payment of an installment on the purchase price, and the balance will be paid shortly. The Schenks made an unsuccessful effort some time ago to buy this property.

The approaching retirement of the Peabody Insurance Company leaves but three Wheeling fire insurance companies yet in business, the German, the Franklin and the Standard. A few years ago there were a dozen or more Wheeling companies in the field. A well known insurance man says one explanation of the retirement of several from the field is that rates are now about one-half what they were, and fire losses are much heavier. In support of this statement he produced a report showing the income and expenses of the leading companies doing business in the United States for the first half of 1899, and of the sixty-one companies reporting, all but seven showed an excess of expenditures over income. One company, the Insurance Company of North America, had an income of \$2,491,044 and expenses of \$3,292,263, the excess being \$801,819.

Other Wheeling companies that have retired in late years were the following:

Fire & Marine, 1897; reinsured in the Caledonian.

American, 1892, reinsured in the Citizens', of Toledo, and the Phoenix, of London.

Manufacturers', 1883, reinsured. Ohio Valley, 1887, reinsured and wound up.

Jefferson, 1896, reinsured in the Franklin, of Wheeling.

Equitable, 1898, reinsured in the Virginia State.

Aetna, 1888, reinsured in the Providence, Washington.

Underwriters', 1892, reinsured in the Citizens', of Toledo, and the Phoenix, of London.

A SCIENTIFIC REPORT ON COFFEE

Shows it Can be Used by Some, and is a Poison to Others.

A gentleman connected with the Newberry library, Chicago, has gone very carefully through the medical department, consulting and compiling from the best works of this country and abroad, on the value of coffee.

There is abundance of evidence to show that in some cases coffee used as a stimulant is of advantage, while with many human systems it is a decided poison, which will build up chronic conditions of disease if made use of steadily.

The investigator writes: "We have used for years your Postum Food Coffee, and found nothing to fill its place." Among his quotations appears the following:

"One of the highest authorities in Materia Medica for Therapeutics in England says: Caffeine, which is the stimulating part of coffee, is, in general terms, a stimulant first, and subsequently a paralyzant to the nerve centers in the cerebellum, medulla and spinal cord."

"In small doses it quickens the activity of the heart and raises arterial tension. Larger doses often overstimulate the cerebral circulation, causing great heaviness of the head, flashes of light before the eyes, insomnia, restlessness and even delirium. Administered in sufficient quantity it would doubtless prove fatal to man."

"To thousands of people coffee, of which caffeine is its chemical structure, is therefore a poison. Languor, restlessness and prostration follow as a result in the not class when the habit of its continuance is acquired. This is followed by muscular tremor and sometimes dizziness, with nervous dyspepsia and insomnia; in fact, a train of depressing ailments frequently not traceable to the beverage which never inebriates, but is in reality the source."

The gentleman concludes his long and very interesting paper on the subject with the statement, "Companies similar to that of the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., of Battle Creek, are to be multiplied and stand as benefactors of the race. Whatever our personal preferences, let us not class these changes in dietary to peculiar views and theories, but rather as generally recognized and accepted truths, a valuable acquisition of progress and investigation, scientific and philanthropic."

The rapid pace lived by American brain-workers has forced them to seek food and drink that quickly and surely rebuild the exhausted energies, and such people as a rule feel the disastrous effects of a continued use of coffee. It is to furnish this class of people with correct food and drink, selected and manufactured in the most scientific manner, that Postum Cereal Food Coffee and Grape-Nuts have been placed on the market. All first-class grocers furnish these.

FOUR MEN INJURED

In an Accident at the Riverside Blast Furnace Yesterday—An Explosion of Gas the Cause.

A serious explosion of gas occurred yesterday morning at the Riverside blast furnace, Benwood. Four men were burned by the explosion, and considering the circumstances surrounding it, the wonder is that there is not a list of fatalities to record. As it is, Michael Burge, one of the injured, may die.

The explosion threw out of the tall cupola the bell, which is used as a sort of diaphragm and weighs forty tons. This immense piece of metal was tossed up into the air and alighted, without being shattered, a few feet away from the cupola. It brought with it bricks, mortar and a net-work of gas pipes and metal attachments. Luckily, no person was standing beneath the shower.

Manager Frank Crookard was one of those who enjoyed a narrow escape.

Recently there has been accumulating in the stack a lot of ore and coke, which clung to the sides after being dropped from the unloading stand above. This stuff reached quite a size yesterday, and it fell, carrying everything to the bottom of the furnace, and thus causing the gas explosion.

As stated, Michael Burge, an assistant "capper," was seriously burned. His clothes were burned off his body, and his face, hands, arms and back, were burned black. He was removed to the Emergency hospital, Benwood, and Dr. Alley considers his recovery doubtful. Burge is a Pole by nativity and lived in Benwood. Frank Murphy, a man named Parrish, and a young man named Greer, son of Squire C. S. Greer, of the Sixth ward, were burned less seriously.

HOTEL MEN TO MEET

In Wheeling To-day To-morrow. Business and Pleasure.

The second annual meeting of the Hotel Men's Association of West Virginia will begin in this city, at the Windsor, this morning, and will conclude to-morrow. The association has a membership of about twenty-five, and business and pleasure will be combined in its sessions. The meeting will be called to order this afternoon at 2 o'clock. To-morrow afternoon an outing at Wheeling park will be a feature.

The officers of the association are as follows: President George O. Taylor, of the Hotel Ruffner, Charleston.

Secretary-Treasurer—E. B. Carney, of the Windsor, Wheeling.

First Vice President—H. T. Pratyman, Jackson Hotel, Parkersburg.

Second Vice President—Thomas B. Seeley, Traders', Clarksburg.

Third Vice President—H. V. Van Winkle, Van Winkle, Parkersburg.

Fourth Vice President—B. S. McClure, Moore, Wheeling.

Fifth Vice President—J. B. Kelley, Adelphi, Huntington.

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There are still some left---not too many---one for YOU if you come bright and early.....

This Morning.

We have received a telegram from the manufacturers that the balance of their Misfit Carpets

had been shipped. They will be here on Thursday morning. If you delay till Friday you'll be surely disappointed.

Come! Come! Come!

Half prices are worth coming for in a hurry. Come before they're all gone and the lights are out.

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